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Ref: 394-23497

Honorable James H. Welsh  
Commissioner of Conservation  
Post Office Box 94275  
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

Re: Hearing Application  
5 Zone, Reservoir A  
MAIN PASS BLOCK 47 FIELD  
Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana  
Applicant: Clayton Williams Energy, Inc.

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, application is hereby made on behalf of **Clayton Williams Energy, Inc.** for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the 5 Zone, Reservoir A, in the Main Pass Block 47 Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

1. To grant an exception to the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E and to create a single drilling and production unit of approximately 211 acres for the 5 Zone, Reservoir A, designated as the 5 RA SUA, Main Pass Block 47 Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, all as shown more particularly on the attached plat;
2. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the 5 RA SUA;
3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation;
4. To designate a unit well and designate Clayton Williams Energy, Inc. as operator of the unit well and Harvest Oil and Gas, LLC as operator of the alternate well for the proposed unit;
5. To grant an exception to the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E and to permit Harvest Oil and Gas, LLC to drill, designate and utilize the Harvest Oil and Gas, LLC.-SL 195 "QQ" No. 22 Well as an alternate unit well for the 5 RA SUA, such well to be at the location shown on the plat attached hereto and made a part hereof;
6. To grant a single unit allowable for the 5 RA SUA and to permit the operator of the unit to produce said unit allowables from the unit well, the proposed alternate unit well, or from either of the wells, at its option;

7. To make a specific finding that such proposed alternate unit well is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain a portion of the 5 RA SUA which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any other well within the unit.
8. To consider such other matters relating to the subject reservoir as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the public hearing.

The 5 Zone, Reservoir A, Main Pass Block 47 Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing zone between the measured depths of 6,510 feet and 6,587 feet (electrical log measurements) (6056' to 6117' TVD) in the Clayton Williams Energy, Inc.-State Lease 195 QQ No. 3 Well, located in Section 25, Township 19 South, Range 19 East.

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, the Commissioner of Conservation, the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation and all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties known to the applicant after a reasonable search were notified in writing in the pre-application notice dated April 6, 2006 that a conference to discuss the proposed application was tentatively scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 27, 2006. It was stated at that time that this conference would be held only if a request to confer were received by the undersigned within ten (10) calendar days after the date of the pre-application notice. No requests to confer were received either in writing or by telephone and, in accordance with the Rules of Procedure, the tentatively scheduled conference **WILL NOT BE HELD**.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the 5 RA SUA, Main Pass Block 47 Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, and a list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties to whom this notice is being sent. It is hereby certified that a reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties.

A copy of the list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties is not being mailed to those parties along with this application. Should any such party desire a copy of this list, however, we will be glad to provide one upon request.

Any pertinent data relating to the proposed unit can be obtained, AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY, from Mr. Bill McAlister, of Leon Comeaux & Associates, P. O. Box 53922, Lafayette, LA 70505 (337) 233-9839.

Finally, there is enclosed herewith our check on behalf of the applicant in the amount of \$755.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

  
B. J. Duplantier

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Attachments

cc: Mr. Richard D. Hudson  
District Manager, Office of Conservation

All Interested Owners,  
Represented Parties and Interested Parties

